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**REQUEST FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
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Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000 provides for continued examination of a utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.
See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA)

Application Number: 10/066,048
Filing Date: January 31, 2002
First Named Inventor: John P. Brostrom
Group Art Unit: 2835
Examiner: Boris L o Chervinsky
Attorney Docket Number: 09136.0009-00 [formerly M-11948]
Attorney Customer Number: 22,852

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Note: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) instead of a RCE to be eligible for patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See "Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice," Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (March 20, 2000). Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (April 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114:

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply after final under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on [Date] _____
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief of Reply Brief previously filed on [Date] _____
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Enclosed:
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement
- iv. ☒ Other: Petition For Extension Of Time

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2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-mentioned application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of [number] months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required.)
- b. ☐ Other _____
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3. Fees

- a. ☒ The filing fee is calculated as follows:
- i. ☒ \$375.00* RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) *[small entity]
- ii. ☒ Petition for extension of time for One (1) Month \$55.00* *[small entity]
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Please charge fees in the amount of \$430.00 to Deposit Account No. 06-0916.
- c. ☒ The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiencies in the filing fees, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Signature of Applicant, Attorney, or Agent Required

Name: Gary J. Edwards	Reg. No.: 41,008
Signature:	Date: March 24, 2003

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